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| 1. 🔯 This | s communication is responsive to communications filed | l July 28, 2000. | | | | | |
| | allowed claim(s) is/are 6-19 and 23. | | | | | | |
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| • | 1) ☐ hereto_or- 2) ⊠ to Paper No. <u>2</u> . | | · | | | | |
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| Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the reverse side of the drawings. The drawings should be filed as a separate paper with a transmittal letter addressed to the Official Draftsperson. | | | | | | | |
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